(1390 REV. 5-93) US DEPT. OF COMMERCE PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFIC 104651 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, sec 37 C.F.R.1.5) UNITED STATES 09/423,461 **DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE** (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING **UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371** PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 4 PCT/JP99/00445 March 18, 1998 February 3, 1999 TITLE OF INVENTION OPTICAL FIBER OBSERVING IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Hidekazu KOJIMA et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 1. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than 3. delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1). A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest 4. claimed priority date. A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) 5. a.
is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). b. has been transmitted by the International Bureau. c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US) A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). 6. Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) 7. are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau). ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 9. 10. A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)). Items 11. to 16. below concern other document(s) or information included: An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment. 13. ☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. A substitute specification. 14.

Other items or information: Response to Notification of Missing Requirements - Declaration Already Filed

A small entity statement.

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17. The following fees are submitted:				CALCULATIONS		PTO USE ONLY	
Basic National fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)):							
Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO\$840.00						•	
International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR1.482)\$670.00							
No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2))\$760.00							
Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO\$970.00							
International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4)\$ 96.00							
ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =				\$			
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 20 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$			
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TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				\$			
Reduction by 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed. (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).				\$			
SUBTOTAL =				\$			
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 20 30 month from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).				\$			
TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =							
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					Charged	\$	
 a. Check No in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. Please charge my Deposit Account No in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. <u>15-0461</u>. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. 							
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.							
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